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DAME TROT AND HER CAT.



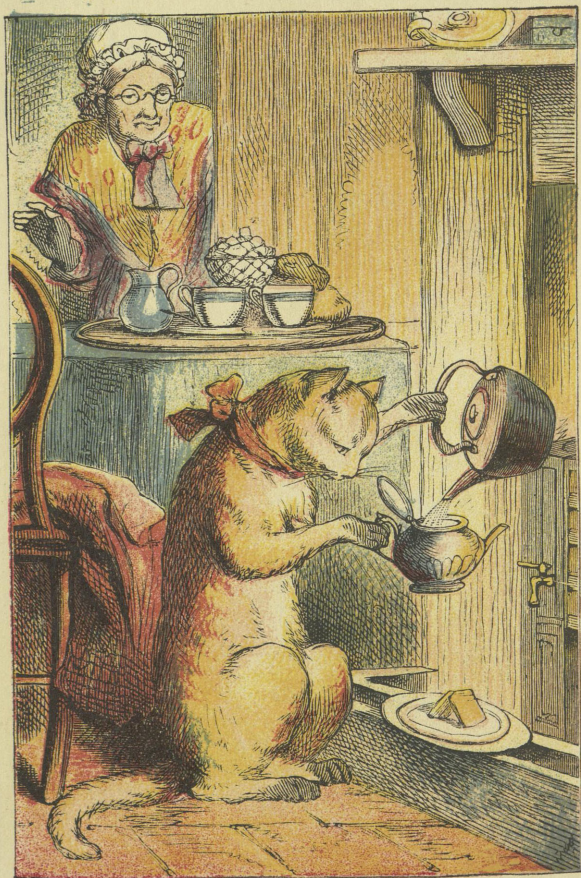
DAME TROT once went to a neighbour-
ing fair,
And what do you think she bought
herself there?
A Pussy! the prettiest ever was seen;
No cat was so gentle, so clever and
clean.

Each dear little paw was as black as a
sloe,
The rest of her fur was as white as the
snow,
Her eyes were bright green, and her
sweet little face [grace,
Was pretty and meek, full of innocent

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Dame Trot hurried home with this
beautiful cat;
Went upstairs to take off her cloak and
her hat;
And when she came down was aston-
ished to see
That Pussy was busy preparing the tea.

"Oh, what a strange cat!" thought
poor little Dame Trot,
"She'll break my best china and upset
the pot!"
But no harm befell them: the velvety
paws [had no cause.
Were quite sure; the Dame for alarm



Next morning when little Dame Trot
came downstairs
To attend, as usual, to household af-
fairs,
She found that the kitchen was swept
up as clean
As if Puss a regular servant had been.

The tea stood to draw, and the toast
was done brown ;
The Dame very pleased to her break-
fast sat down ;
While Puss by her side on an armchair
sat up, [china cup.
And lapp'd her warm milk from a nice



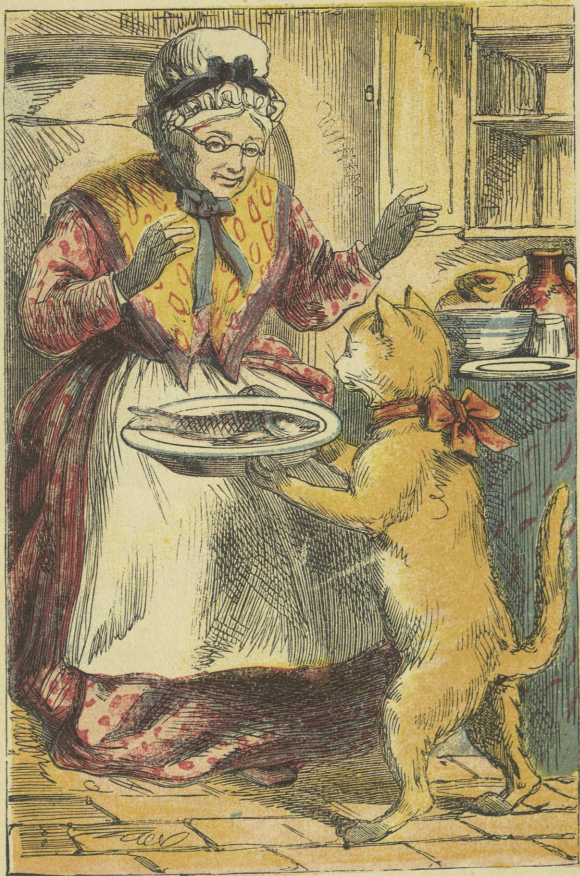
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Now Spot, the old house-dog, looked
 on in amaze,
 He'd never been used to such queer
 cattish ways ;
 But Puss mew'd so sweetly, and moved
 with such grace, [her white face,
 That Spot at last liked her, and licked

The Dame went to market, and left
 them alone,
 Puss washing her face, the dog picking
 a bone ;
 But when she came back Spot was
 learning to dance [in France.
 From Pussy, who once had had lessons



Poor little Dame Trot had no money
to spare,
And only too often her cupboard was
bare;
Then kind Mrs. Pussy would catch a
nice fish, dish.
And serve it for dinner upon a clean

The rats and the mice, who wished
Pussy to please,
Were now never seen at the butter or
cheese;
The Dame daily found that their num-
bers grew thinner, [dinner.
For Puss ate a mouse every day for her





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If Puss had a weakness, I needs must confess
'Twas a Girl of the Period's fancy for dress :
Her greatest desire a high chignon and hat,
And a very short dress à la mode for a cat.



So one day when Dame Trot had gone out to dine,
Puss dressed herself up, as she thought, very fine,
And coaxed kind old Spot, who looked at her with pride,
To play pony for her, and give her a ride.



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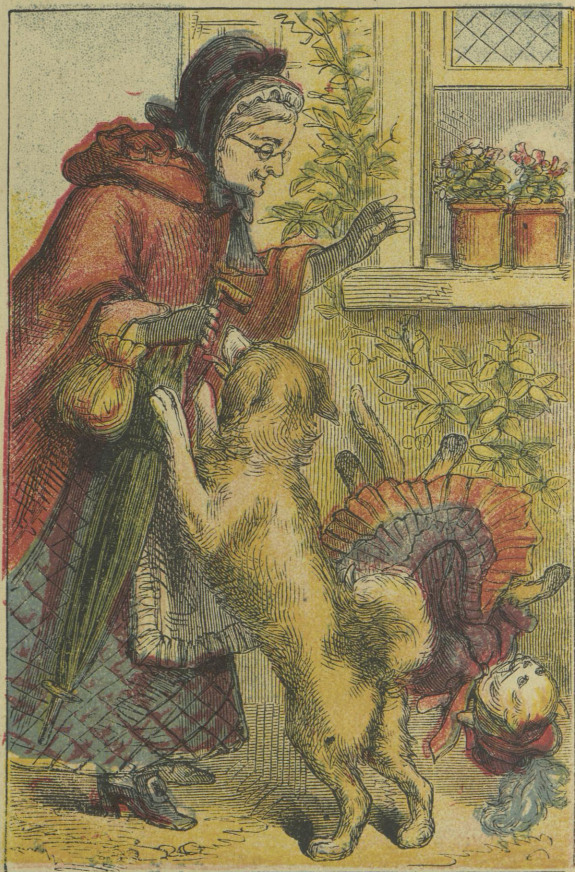
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Now Spot, who to welcome his mistress
desired,
And to "company manners" had never
aspired,
Jumped up to fawn on her—and down
came the cat, [and hat!
And crashed in her tumble her feather

"Oh Puss!" said Dame Trot, what
a very sad mess!
You'd best have remained in your
natural dress;
The graces which Nature so kindly be-
stows [fine clothes."
Are more often hid than improved by